



# Good Shepherd Newsletter

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## Science week

We have been having a real focus on science this week. We started the week with an assembly led by Science Boffins and the children have been carrying out lots of experiments in their own class as well as visiting other classes for sessions too.

## Welcome meeting

We held meetings this week for the families starting Nursery and Reception in September to welcome them into the Good Shepherd family.

## First Holy Communion

Fourteen children from Good Shepherd will be taking the next step in their faith journey on Sunday when they make their First Holy Communion.

*Carlo, Percy, Isabelle, Emma, Emilie,  
Michael, Daniel, Sebastian, Ben,  
Stefan, Geoffrey, Louisa, Leona, Jason*

Our prayers will be with you.



## Calling all mums, grandmas and female carers

Following our hugely successful 'Dads' Breakfast', we have a breakfast session for female carers on Tuesday 9th July 8:30-8:55. Please either complete the slip which was sent home last week or verbally tell Mrs Snow/Mrs Reichelt in the office if you can come. We look forward to seeing you for toast and cereal in a few weeks time.

## Physical Activity

Children will have come home this week with a 10 minute shake up pack to try at home provided by Change4life. Please encourage your children to have a go at these fun activities with a Disney theme.

<https://www.nhs.uk/10-minute-shake-up/shake-ups>

## Science Awards

Well done to the following children who have worked so hard this week in science:



Reception: Joseph, Reon, Erin, Daniel

Year 1: Declan, Angela, Even, Anthony

Year 2: Aaliyah, Ethan S, David, Bade

Year 3: Jayden M, Jayden N, Trinity, Isabella

Year 4: Shai-Nefer, Joseph, David, Julia

Year 5: Abel, Amelia, Rashanti, Victor

Year 6: Boadi, Amrutha, Salem, Charis

### Poetry Competition

Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children took part in a poetry competition yesterday. I was so impressed with the confidence and voice projection—very well done to everyone who took part. We had over 50 parents who attended, which was the highest attendance so far—brilliant!

### Breakfast Club

Thank you to those parents who have returned the questionnaire. This coming Thursday (27th) is the final day for returning them to school before Sports Active come to collect them. I will let you know as soon as possible about how you can book your child onto sessions.

### Some of the new words we have been learning this week

Year 1: prediction

Year 2: experiment

Year 3: gravity

Year 4: construction

Year 5: cerebrum

Year 6: inquisitive

### Music Concert

The school were treated to a music concert yesterday. All the Year 4 children have been learning the trombone, trumpet or chalumeau this year and have made so much progress. They were joined by children in Year 5 and 6 who have continued to learn an instrument. It was great to see such talent amongst our pupils. Thank you to the parents who joined us.



### Fr Con's Reflection

This coming Sunday, 23<sup>rd</sup> June, is the solemn feast of "CORPUS CHRISTI" (the Body of Christ) – the feast of the Body and Blood of Our Lord Jesus.

22 children from our parish will make their FIRST HOLY COMMUNION at the 11am Mass (the 3<sup>rd</sup> of our 3 Sunday Masses).

(Additionally, 3 older children make theirs at the 1<sup>st</sup> Mass of Corpus Christi, on the Saturday evening).

Obviously, there is no greater day than the feast of "Corpus Christi", to receive Jesus in Holy Communion for the first time.

The name of the preparation programme our children have been following is "GOD'S GREATEST GIFT".

Holy Communion (Holy Eucharist) is precisely that.

Other pupils of ours will be providing the music ministry at Sunday's 11am Mass, under the guidance of Mrs. Saunders.



### Mr Oke

We temporarily say goodbye to Mr Oke today for a few weeks until he returns in September as one of our class teachers.

### Free Summer Cycling Courses

There will be free cycle training courses for children this Summer Holiday organised by Croydon Council. These will be held at Heavers Farm Primary School in South Norwood and at Croydon Arena (near the Arena tram stop). To book a place, visit

<http://bit.ly/croydonholiday>

If you are interested, I recommend that you book quickly as places fill up extremely fast.

### Attendance and Punctuality

Week commencing 10.6.19

100% attendance: none

100% punctuality: Y3

Overall attendance: 97.1%

Well done and keep it up!



*Have a lovely weekend, Mrs Day*